



Kris Becker, President 2017-2018

Celebrate Rotary

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## Department of Fish and Wildlife Game Warden

John Dalle introduced our speakers, Rodney Nemlowill, the local Warden for the Department of Fish and Wildlife and Andrew Hughan, the information and media spokesman, for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. They spoke about the overall limit on doves per day and in possession. They also spoke about "licenses and permits". They indicated that some individuals are ticketed for shooting the wrong birds, including the California "roadrunner" otherwise known as *Geococcyx californianus*.

They also spoke about seizing the \$600,000 boat of an individual who violated the fish and game laws. They said the poor guy cried as they took his boat away. That is why you fish from a "dingy". They also spoke about "mountain lions". Over the years, there have been a number of human fatalities (6) and injuries (16) due to mountain lions. Evidently, there are 4,000 to 6,000 mountain lions that range through the State of California. If you see a mountain lion, it is usually running, and hopefully it is running away from you. Andrew and Rodney were very enjoyable.



**POT**



The winner of this week's drawing was Randy Miles who took home the weekly prize of \$39.00. However, Randy did not win the large pot (\$253.00) which was carried over to next week.



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DIFFERENCE**

## Pledge, Prayer and Song

President Kris began the meeting with the pledge by Cliff Caldwell, followed by the blessing/ prayer by Ed Snively, and a different patriotic song led by Mike Rood.



## Visiting Rotarians and Guests of Rotarians

The visiting Rotarians consisted of our own Richard Acosta.

John Dalle introduced his guests (who are also today's speakers): Rodney Nemlowill, a Warden for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife who



works in Imperial County, and Andrew Hughan the information and media spokesperson for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. It also turns out

that Mr. Hughan was a founding member and a Past President of the Rancho Murieta Rotary Club (the club is located in District 5180).

Ed Snively introduced his guest Gil Rebollar (Mr. Podcast himself).

Emma Jones introduced her guest, Haydee Rodriguez, a teacher at Central High and Jennifer Thomason introduced her guest, Rosie Blankenship.

## Announcements

Past President Frank Miranda told us to put Thursday, September 28, 2017 on our calendars because on that date the speaker will cover GMO's or genetically modified organisms. Frank said it will be an excellent program.

The Prez informed us of the various scholarship winners that thanked our Rotary Club for their scholarships.

Emma Jones paid \$100.00 to the club and \$100.00 toward her Paul Harris for spending three (3) weeks of vacation in Murray, Utah. Murray is located near Salt Lake City. Emma said it gets hot there, but it cools down at night. She brought President Kris a Route 66 Cup and a Route 66 boot shotglass. Route 66 is also known as the Will Rogers Highway. For those of you that don't know Will Rogers was born in Oklahoma's Indian Territory.

President Kris then pointed out three (3) of our members that had gone to see the solar eclipse of August 21, 2017. They included Frank Miranda, Steve Birdsall and Mike Rood.

Mike was in Rexburg, Idaho a normal town of 25,000 people that had over 100,000 people there to see the solar eclipse. He and about 200 other individuals stayed in a local farmers alfalfa field. While looking through the appropriate solar eclipse glasses Mike saw approximately two (2) minutes of total eclipse. He said that all of a sudden it was dark and 15 degrees cooler than before. He said there were about 150 planes that flew in to the local airport for the solar eclipse. He also reminded us all that the next eclipse would occur in 2024. Mike paid \$50.00 to the club for his great experience.

Frank Miranda was about 40 miles north of Boise Idaho. He said that very few people were there and during the eclipse he noted you could smell the dew on the plants as you can at night. He said it was a great experience. Frank also paid \$50.00 to the club.

Steve Birdsall was also about 40 miles north of Boise Idaho, in a place called Garden Valley (population of 394). He said the water sprinkler's were on solar power. They stopped sprinkling during the eclipse and then came back on. Steve paid \$50.00 to the club and another \$100.00 towards his Paul Harris.

Next in the batting lineup was George McFaddin. It turns out that George was not going dove hunting for the 1<sup>st</sup> time in seventy-one (71) years. George said he didn't even have a hunting license this year. George and Ed McGrew could both remember wearing heavy jackets while hunting on the 1<sup>st</sup> of September because of the chilling cold. George paid \$50.00 to the club for "not" hunting. We don't think you should get fined for "not" doing something!

For the second week in a row, we didn't hear a "Lawyers Joke" during the meeting.

